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5 **PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT** 

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10 INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO: PCT/DE00/00463

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INVENTION: "CONFIGURABLE ADD-DROP MULTIPLEXING DEVICE

AND OPTICAL WAVELENGTH DIVISION MULTIPLEX

TRANSMISSION SYSTEM" (Title Amended)

15 Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

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As a Preliminary Amendment for entry into the National Stage for the above-identified PCT application, the following is submitted:

## IN THE ABSTRACT:

Please add the following Abstract:

--An add-drop multiplexer has a group filter that divides an incoming WDM signal into several channel groups of corresponding adjacent WDM channels. A